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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/917,099
Inventor(s) : Norio OKU, et al.
Method of Curing Seal in Liquid Crystal Display Panel
Filed : July 26, 2001
Sanyo's Ref. : F1010273US02 (formerly F1010273US01)
Your Ref. : SY-50554-US-01
Our Ref. No. : 81784.0240

Dear Ms. Yokokawa:

Thank you for your letter of June 16, 2006 with instructions for responding to the outstanding Office Action in connection with the above-identified US Application.

Pursuant to your letter, we have prepared a responding paper to the Office Action which sets forth the arguments contained in your letter, and we have filed it in the Patent and Trademark Office. Enclosed is a copy. We see no harm in setting forth both the arguments with respect to the drawings in general and the arguments with respect to Fig. 5.

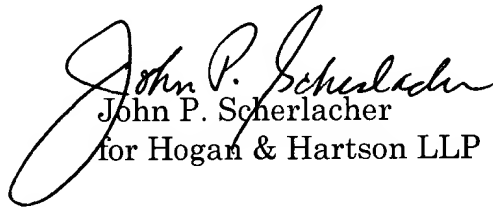
However, filing a response with no drawing amendments, we would caution that the Examiner may well hold such paper to be unresponsive to the Office Action. The Office Action seems to indicate that at least some amendment to the drawings is required for a proper response.

If the Examiner holds our paper to be unresponsive to the Office Action, we will have to be prepared to offer some amendment to the drawings in order to have a satisfactory response.

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If the enclosed paper is held not to be responsive by the Examiner, then the deadline of June 19, 2006 can be extended for up to four additional months upon payment of fees in the usual fashion.

Very truly yours,


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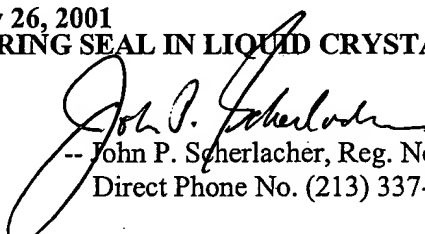
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MESSAGE:

RE: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/917,099 filed July 26, 2001
Applicant: Norio OKU, et al.; For: METHOD OF CURING SEAL IN LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY PANEL


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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
- ☐ A certified copy of ___ Patent Application No. ___ filed ___ from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 19, 2006, please enter and consider
the following remarks:

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this
paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.